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Honorable Diane Gujarati United States District Court Eastern District of New York 225 Cadman Plaza East Brooklyn NY 11201



Re: Thorne-Long v. City of New York, et al. 23-CV-43055 (DG) (LB)

Dear Judge Gujarati,

I am the Plaintiff in the above-referenced action, appearing pro se. I am writing to request leave to serve and file an Amended Complaint, with a deadline of October 6, 2023. If the Court grants my request, I also ask that Defendants' Motion to Dismiss be held in abeyance.

I seek to amend the complaint to make several significant changes including, but not limited to: eliminating all Defendants except the City of New York and the NYC Department of Education ("DOE"); withdrawal of the cause of action for libel/defamation; inclusion of allegations regarding the fact that I filed a timely notice of claim with the NYC Comptroller, the NYC Law Department, and the DOE, as well as proof that I did so; and inclusion of allegations regarding the fact that I filed an EEOC complaint regarding my termination by the DOE.

Counsel for the Defendants was notified of this request and did not consent, stating that to do so would not be in the best interest of his clients.

Respectfully submitted,

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